#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

#### 16-313

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### October 3, 2006

To honor the life of Mamie Johnson Kelley, to commemorate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, and to declare July 15, 2006, "Mamie Johnson Kelley Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson was born in Stafford, Virginia on July 15, 1906;

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson came to the District of Columbia at an early age;

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson met and married the late Willie O. Kelley of Florence, South Carolina;

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson Kelley had seven children;

WHEREAS, in addition to those seven children, Mamie Johnson Kelley has numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, one great-grandchild and many, many nieces and nephews;

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson Kelley is known among her friends and neighbors for her potato salad;

WHEREAS, Mamie Johnson Kelley continues to attend Canaan Baptist Church every Sunday and works with the pastor's aid ministry; and

WHEREAS, the family and friends of Mamie Johnson Kelley gathered July 15, 2006 in the District of Columbia to celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Mamie Johnson Kelley 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the outstanding life of Mamie Johnson Kelley; congratulates her on the occasion of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday; and declares July 15, 2006 as "Mamie Johnson Kelley Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 16-314

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To posthumously honor the life and work of "Brother" Chris Crowder, and to declare July 15, 2006, as "Brother Chris Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder attended Howard University in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder was left paralyzed after a playground shooting in 1990, but never let his injury temper his activism;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder appeared on the CBS program "60 Minutes" in 1995;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder was a source of inspiration to young people, encouraging them to stay in school;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder was a constant advocate of rent control, affordable housing and tenant rights, attending numerous community meetings and offering testimony before the Council of the District of Columbia:

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder had recently filed papers to run for Mayor of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder passed away July 8, 2006 at the age of 44;

WHEREAS, Chris Crowder was affectionately known as "Brother Chris"; and

WHEREAS, the family, friends and community of Chris Crowder gathered for a homegoing service on July 15, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Brother Chris Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors the life and work of Chris Crowder, and declares July 15, 2006 as "Brother Chris Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

#### 16-315

### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To highlight the ongoing struggles faced by women following a diagnosis of ovarian cancer and to declare September 2006, as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is the 5<sup>th</sup> leading cause of cancer-related deaths, and the 8<sup>th</sup> most common cause of cancer deaths in women;

WHEREAS, women with a family history of ovarian, breast or colon cancer and who have been through menopause are at increased risk of developing ovarian cancer;

WHEREAS, women who receive an early diagnosis of ovarian cancer have a 90% survival rate of five years or more yet only one-fifth of diagnoses occur at this early stage;

WHEREAS, regular women's health exams and awareness of high-risk factors are critical to early detection and treatment of ovarian cancer;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia's mortality rate for ovarian cancer is less than the national rate and falling, and we must ensure that this trend continues;

WHEREAS, increasing education for women and the medical community about ovarian cancer risk factors and screening tests will result in earlier diagnoses and even higher survival rates;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia is committed to fighting ovarian cancer and all other issues that threaten the health of female residents, and

WHEREAS, Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month celebrates survival, remembers those we have lost to the disease, raises funds for treatment and research, and promotes early detection.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month Resolution of 2006."

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia offers support for Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month to recognize the strength of our area ovarian cancer survivors, and to educate citizens about the importance of early detection and treatment to ovarian cancer survivorship, and declares the month of September 2006 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

# A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# <u>16-316</u>

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

We are proud to recognize Kathy Knizner for her numerous contributions to the District of Columbia and its citizens.

WHEREAS, Kathy Knizner led the Golden Triangle Business Improvement District ("BID") as President of the Board of Directors in FY 2005 and FY 2006 with wisdom, insight and vision;

WHEREAS, Kathy Knizner served as a key member of the Board of Directors for the Golden Triangle BID from 1998 to 2006;

WHEREAS, Kathy Knizner was instrumental in the effort to extend the BID's charter and expand its boundaries to include eleven additional properties in 2003;

WHEREAS, under Kathy Knizner's direction, the BID facilitated economic development in the District of Columbia's Central Business District through revitalization programs, street cape improvements, marketing projects and member services;

WHEREAS, under the able guidance of Kathy Knizner, the BID helped create and maintain a clean, friendly and welcoming urban neighborhood through its Ambassador Program;

WHEREAS, under the vision and direction of Kathy Knizner, the BID helped establish a safe and inviting community in the Golden Triangle for businesses, workers, area residents and tourists through its partnership with local and federal policing agencies; and

WHEREAS, under Kathy Knizner's astute leadership, the Golden Triangle BID was the first business improvement district in Washington, DC to launch a free WiFi program for the community.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Kathy Knizner Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Kathy Knizner for the manner in which she passionately served and represented the Central Business District of the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

#### <u>16-317</u>

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### October 3, 2006

To recognize and honor one of the city's dynamic community arts organizations, Joy of Motion Dance Center, on the occasion of its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion was founded in October 1976 to provide high quality learning and performance opportunities that reinforce the principle that Dance is for Everyone;

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion annually engages over 30,000 District of Columbia adults, teens and children in dance classes workshops, festivals, summer camps, and youth dance companies at its studio locations and nearly 5, 000 audience members at dance concerts held at the Jack Guidone Theater in Friendship Heights;

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion fosters artistic excellence in the field of dance and has played a critical role as an incubator for local dance talent by providing pro bono rehearsal space and administrative support for some 20 resident dance companies over the years;

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion's comprehensive adult dance program provides a niche for people of all ages and ability levels who want to include dance in their lives for recreation, fitness and artistic expression;

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion extends the reach of its mission through education outreach providing free dance classes to nearly 500 students in District schools and performances for hundreds more;

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion programming reflects the District of Columbia's rich and vibrant multi-ethnic culture with a full spectrum of world dance styles, including the Dance Heritage Series exploring the roots of African, Asian, Middle Eastern and Spanish/Latin dance; and

WHEREAS, Joy of Motion has earned a reputation for excellence in dance education, diversity of programming and community service and was honored with the 2002 Mayor's Arts Award for Excellence in Service to the Arts.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Joy of Motion Dance Center 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Joy of Motion Dance Center on the observance of its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and declares October 1, 2006 as "Joy of Motion Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-318

# IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To recognize and commend Stephen Joel Trachtenberg on his tenure as President of the George Washington University.

WHEREAS, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has announced his intention to become President Emeritus and University Professor and step down from the Presidency of The George Washington University in July 2007;

WHEREAS, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has served as President of The George Washington University for nineteen years and prior to his arrival at The George Washington University, as President of the University of Harford for eleven years;

WHEREAS, during his tenure, The George Washington University has established numerous undergraduate, graduate and professional programs, endowed university professorships, attracted students of every higher achievement, increased the endowment from \$200 million dollars to \$1 billion dollars, and enhanced the city and the campus with buildings of extraordinary beauty and utility;

WHEREAS, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg previously served with distinction as a member of the New York and United States Supreme Court Bars, was Special Assistant to the United States Commissioner of Education, served on the White House Task Force on Education commissioned by the President of the United States, helped guide through Congress such landmark legislation as the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1995;

WHEREAS, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has earned national distinction as a writer on educational, moral and political issues and has been elected as a member and officer of such prestigious organizations as the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg championed the view that there are no great cities without great universities and no great universities without great cities, and worked to improve the city not only through educational programs, scholarships and employment opportunities as the Chairman of the District of Columbia Chamber of Commerce, and member of the Board of Trade and the Federal City Council.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Stephen Joel Trachtenberg Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia congratulates Stephen A. Trachtenberg on his accomplishments and expresses its most sincere best wishes for his continuing efforts to improve higher education and the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-319

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To recognize, honor and express overwhelming gratitude to Willie M. Borden for his commitment to excellence and for his numerous contributions to the District of Columbia and her citizens.

WHEREAS, Willie Borden is a graduate of American University and is President of B&B Security Corporation, an LSDBE business which has provided jobs to numerous District residents and is certified with the Department of Homeland Security;

WHEREAS, in 2001 Willie Borden was recognized as one of the 50 Influential Minorities in Business by the Minority Business & Professional Networks, Inc.;

WHEREAS, in 2003, Willie Borden served as the Honorary Chairman of the Business Advisory Council;

WHEREAS, Willie Borden is a member of the American Criminal Justice Association, Industrial Security, the Kiwanis Club of Capitol Hill and the American Society of Law Enforcement and the Downtown Clusters Geriatric Day Care Center;

WHEREAS, Willie Borden worked persistently for 7 years as the Chairman of the Shaw Kennedy Playground, served on the Shaw Community Development Fund Board and worked tirelessly with the Washington Convention Center Authority during the development of the Washington, DC Convention Center;

WHEREAS, Willie Borden was a strong supporter of the new Washington Convention Center and served with distinction as Chairman of the Shaw Economic Development Fund, (a Washington Convention Center Authority \$1.2 million fund designated to be used by and for the Shaw community) and President of the Greater Shaw Consensus Group;

WHEREAS Willie Borden is the Assistant Pastor at Scripture Cathedral in Shaw which fought to make the neighborhood safe for residents and to preserve and expand opportunities for low and moderate income residents;

WHEREAS, Willie Borden served as a counselor with the Southwestern Youth Activities Task Force and a youth counselor for the Metropolitan Police Boys & Girls Club; and

WHEREAS, Willie Borden is a member of the American Criminal Justice Association, Industrial Security, the Kiwanis Club of Capitol Hill and the American Society of Law Enforcement.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Willie M. Borden Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and appreciates Willie M. Borden for his commitment to excellence, dedication to service and for being a positive force in the lives of many young people in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 16-320

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To recognize the U.S. Virgin Islands' contributions as an integral part of the United States and declare September 27, 2006 as "Virgin Island Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Virgin Islands have been an integral part of the United States since its acquisition from Denmark in 1917;

WHEREAS, citizens of the Virgin Islands have, throughout the years, made many valuable contributions to the history, culture and defense of the United States,

WHEREAS, citizens of the Virgin Islands, like the citizens of the District of Columbia, do not have voting representation in the United States Congress and must petition Congress through their nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives or directly through lobbying Members of Congress;

WHEREAS, the people of the Virgin Islands and the people of the District of Columbia share common ideals and support mutual efforts to ensure greater participation in the nation's political processes; and

WHEREAS, Governor Charles W. Turnbull and Lt. Governor Vargrave A. Richards of the U.S. Virgin Islands have organized a day of special events in Washington, D.C., on September 27, 2006, including the celebration of the Territory's "Alexander Hamilton Distinguished Public Service Awards" given to two public servants in recognition of their contributions to the life of the nation and who exemplify the ideals of Alexander Hamilton, a distinguished son of the Virgin Islands.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "U.S. Virgin Islands Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and appreciates the U.S. Virgin Islands' contributions and its position as an integral part of the United States and declares September 27, 2006 as "Virgin Island Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 16-321

# IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To recognize and honor the accomplishments of Special Olympics Athletes of the District of Columbia in competing in the inaugural National Games in Ames, Iowa, July 2-8, 2006.

WHEREAS, Daniel Bailey, James Benjamin, Jerome Bennings, Darron Burris, William Covington, Darrell Cowser, Ronnie Daniels, Robert Downs, Eric Epps, Desiree Evans, Irena Fields, Crystal Fouch, Dawit Getu, Michael Green, Michael Jolly, Radell Jones, Edward Knight, D'Andre Lemon, Melvin Lowry, Bobby Lyles, Daniel Mathis, Melvin Penn, Gerard Rich, Brittaney Robin, Allen Rouse, Douglas Rubin, Danny Smith, Reginald Smith, Robin Stewart, Lawrence Vessels, Curtis Walker, Tony Wall, Lindsey Wilkes, and Ivery "KC" Wilkins, Special Olympics athletes of the Special Olympics District of Columbia National Games Team, are to be commended for their outstanding sportsmanship and determined competitive spirit;

WHEREAS, out of the 1,200 Special Olympics athletes who competed in the 2005-2006 school year, 33 Special Olympics athletes of the 2006 District of Columbia National Games Team won berths;

WHEREAS, the 2006 District of Columbia National Games Team was awarded 19 gold medals, 25 silver medals, 5 bronze medals, and 4 fourth-place medals;

WHEREAS, 9 extraordinary coaches gave their time and talent to inspire and lead the Special Olympics athletes competing in the 2006 National Games; and

WHEREAS, families, friends, teachers and mentors inspired Special Olympics Athletes of the District of Columbia and made an invaluable contribution to these champions and to the spirit of Special Olympics.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA That this resolution may be cited as the "Special Olympics District of Columbia National Games Team Recognition Resolution of 2006"

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates the 2006 District of Columbia National Games Team.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in either the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 16-322

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To posthumously honor the life and work of Herbert Leonard, Jr., and to declare August 1, 2006, as "Herbert Leonard, Jr. Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., was born in the District of Columbia on October 23, 1932;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., attended District of Columbia public schools, graduating from Dunbar High School in 1951;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., attended Delaware State University on a basketball scholarship;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., returned to the District of Columbia to receive a Master of Public Administration degree at American University;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., joined the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, or Metro, after 18 years in the chemical industry;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr. represented Metro at Council hearings and in the community;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., ensured that no occupied residential unit was taken for construction of Metro's Green Line;

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., was recognized throughout the District of Columbia and known as "Mr. Metro";

WHEREAS, Herbert Leonard, Jr., passed away August 1, 2006 at the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, the family, friends and community of Herbert Leonard, Jr., gathered for a home-going service on August 8, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Herbert Leonard, Jr. Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors the life and work of Herbert Leonard, Jr., and declares August 1, 2006 as "Herbert Leonard, Jr. Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-323

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To salute, recognize and honor Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., in conjunction to its 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrated on September 10, 2006.

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., was founded in 1970 for the purpose of providing substance abuse prevention, education, and treatment services in a residential setting to those in need in Washington, D. C.;

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., has created an environment that works with the whole person—the body, mind, and spirit—within a Therapeutic Community that is based on respect for individuals and their journey to improve their lives;

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., has provided substance abuse prevention, education and treatment to thousands of citizens and touched untold thousands of others through conducting community outreach programs including food, clothing, and victim's assistance projects; presenting substance abuse prevention plays and assemblies; and creating citywide prevention campaigns involving the media, young artists, musicians, and students to help stamp out use of drugs including PCP;

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., has pioneered in the use of cultural education and history as a foundation for treatment and charts many other treatment innovations including being the first to bring women with their minor children into treatment in a residential setting; being the first residential treatment program to work with persons with HIV/AIDS in a residential setting; being first in the region to provide regular substance abuse prevention/education seminars for both adults and youth at the Lorton Correctional Center; and being the first to create a specific after-school substance abuse prevention/education project for young people;

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., has provided substance abuse prevention and education information to families and the entire community through outreach groups we established known as the Parents and Friends of RAP, Inc. as well as via radio, television, and newspaper articles, and

WHEREAS, Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc., continues to provide treatment to citizens from all walks of life including doctors, teachers, government workers, lawyers, broadcasters, contractors, and the formerly incarcerated, and returns them to the community to become contributing members of society;

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc. 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2006"

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Regional Addiction Prevention, Inc for the valuable contribution it has made to the District of and for its innovative spirit, its diligence, and its unwavering work in the area of substance abuse education, prevention, and treatment in recognition of its 36 years of service to this community and in support of its continuing commitment.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

#### 16-324

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To recognize and honor the Washington Humane Society and the Humane Society of the United States in conjunction with its Humane Society Walk for the Animals, being held on October 15, 2006.

WHEREAS, the Washington Humane Society ("WHS") and the Humane Society of the United States provide invaluable services to the residents, pets and animals in the District of Columbia:

WHEREAS, the WHS enforces all of the District's animal laws: anti-cruelty statutes under an 1870 Congressional charter, and animal control laws under a contract with the District of Columbia:

WHEREAS, the WHS is the largest animal protection agency in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the WHS shelters stray, mistreated, and abandoned animals, reunites people with lost companion animals, places animals in responsible homes, rescues sick and injured domestic and wild animals, offers affordable spay and neuter as well as weekly low-cost vaccination clinic for cats and dogs, and transports wild animals to licensed rehabilitators;

WHEREAS, the WHS mission includes the rescuing of animals in trouble and finding them good, permanent homes, focusing on the prevention of suffering through education, spay/neuter campaigns and diligently enforcing the District's anti-cruelty laws; and

WHEREAS, the WHS and the Humane Society of the United States is sponsoring a Humane Society Walk for the Animals on October 15, 2006 to benefit their adoption programs and outreach effort.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Humane Society Walk for the Animals Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Washington Humane Society and the Humane Society of the United States for the valuable contribution it has made to the residents, pets and animals in District of Columbia and encourages all residents to join and support this worthwhile endeavor.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 16-325

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### October 3, 2006

To recognize the crisis of domestic violence, and to declare October "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, in October 1987, the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month was observed;

WHEREAS, the social blight of domestic violence has continued to burden America into the 21st Century;

WHEREAS, domestic violence spills over into schools and places of work, and it affects people from every walk of life;

WHEREAS, in 2005, five thousand persons requested civil protection orders at DC Superior Court;

WHEREAS, in 2005 DC Superior Court heard over 8,000 domestic violence cases, an increase of 3.7% over the previous year;

WHEREAS, in 2005, the Metropolitan Police Department received over 27,000 domestic-related crime calls – one every 19 minutes; an increase of 22% over the past three years;

WHEREAS, domestic-related calls accounted for 65% of all interpersonal crime calls to MPD in 2005;

WHEREAS, in cases where victim-offender relationship could be established from 2002 to 2004, MPD reported that there were 51 murders attributed to domestic/family violence; and

WHEREAS, numerous nonprofit groups, specialized units in the police department, legal service providers and prosecutors that work with victims' advocates are working vigorously to serve domestic violence victims in the District of Columbia and to find solutions to this social ill.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the District of Columbia Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the severity of the domestic violence crisis in the District of Columbia and seeks to raise public awareness and bring this often hidden issue into the open, and declares October "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

# A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-326

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To recognize Fort Lincoln Community Day that celebrates a multifaceted living environment with a diversified population of residents combined into one sustainable community that contributes positively to the quality of life in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day is an annual event for a unified body of individuals with common interests living together in a particular area of Ward Five within the larger society of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day know as Unity in the Community Day started in 1980 to originally promote the Fort Lincoln community, then expanded to include neighboring communities of Gateway, South Central and Woodridge;

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day is set aside amid the hustle and bustle of daily life of the city as a time set aside for families and neighbors to enjoy wholesome cultural and recreational activities together;

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day will provide a creative and significant opportunity for the Fort Lincoln New Town community to celebrate the bonds of friendship and the many fruitful years of community consciousness and civic pride;

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day has a group of committed residents from the Fort Lincoln New Town Community who have come together this year to reestablish the event for all the neighbors to participate in and enjoy after budgetary constraints prevented annual celebrations in the past;

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day committee members will host the Unity in the Community Day on October 7, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Fort Lincoln Community Day will serve to unify and validate the commitment to promote and celebrate the spirit of togetherness and enhance the quality of life in the community.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA That this resolution may be cited as the "Fort Lincoln Community Day Ceremonial Recognition of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors all residents in the communities that celebrate Fort Lincoln Community Day in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-327

### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# October 3, 2006

To celebrate the 2006 Latino Festival held by Fiesta DC, and to declare October 1, 2006, as "Fiesta DC Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Latin American Festival of Washington first took place in 1971;

WHEREAS, a group of residents formed Fiesta DC, Inc., in 2004 to resurrect the festival;

WHEREAS, the first annual Latino Festival took place October 10, 2004, drawing nearly 3,500 people;

WHEREAS, the Latino Festival has continued to grow since its first year, offering a family-friendly environment where people of all ethnic backgrounds can celebrate Latino contributions to life in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the Latino Festival is held in Ward One;

WHEREAS, Ward One is home to the highest concentration of Latino residents in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the cultural and economic contributions of the Latino Community; and

WHEREAS, the 2006 Latino Festival takes place October 1, 2006 on Mount Pleasant Street between Irving Street and Park Road.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA That this resolution may be cited as the "Fiesta DC Recognition of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby celebrates the 2006 Latino Festival and declares October 1, 2006, as "Fiesta DC Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

# 16-328

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To recognize and honor Leon Bowens, and to designate Friday, October 13, 2006, as "Leon Bowens Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Leon Bowens was born in Chicago, Illinois and graduated from Crane Technical High School,

WHEREAS Leon Bowens is concluding 35 years of service in both the United States Navy and Naval Reserves, retiring as a Petty Officer First Class;

WHEREAS, Leon Bowens completed five tours of duty in Vietnam and earned four Navy Achievement Medals, five Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medals, two National Defense Medals, the Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, and was nominated as Reserve Sailor of the Year in 1997;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowens earned his B.S. Degree in Political Science at the University of San Diego and his Masters of Public Administration at the San Diego State University;

WHEREAS Mr. Bowens completed two years of service with the Peace Corp in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowens has been a community activist in the Capitol Hill community for over 18 years, serving as a junior high tutor in Spanish and Geography, serving a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain and "Orange Hat" patrol, and volunteering with KidSafe, an after school program at Tyler Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowens has worked diligently over the years as a bipartisan volunteer on various ANC, DC City Council and Mayoral elections.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Leon Bowens Day Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Leon Bowens as an outstanding citizen of the District of Columbia and designates Friday, October 13, 2006 as "Leon Bowens Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

### 16-329

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 3, 2006

To recognize the George Washington University Police Department for its service to the community and its recent accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2006, the George Washington University Police Department was awarded accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies ("CALEA");

WHEREAS, the Department became a part of the select group of college and university police departments in the country formally recognized by the association, less than 1% total;

WHEREAS, this accomplishment will allow the George Washington University Police Department to be recognized as an elite force among university police forces nationwide;

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Police Department was established in 1970 to protect and serve the George Washington University and surrounding Foggy Bottom/West End Community by providing professional law enforcement services and actively promoting community involvement through progressive community policing strategies and a commitment to education;

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Police Department has made a commitment to continuing to strengthen its relationship with the surrounding neighborhood residents and has established a Neighborhood Action Team ("NAT") unit to respond specifically to quality of life issues reported by George Washington University's Foggy Bottom/West End Neighbors;

WHEREAS, the Department has grown to over 160 individuals who are dedicated to exhibiting "Pride and Protection in Service," selflessly serving the members of the surrounding community;

WHEREAS, during the past year, members of the Department have provided commendable service to over 1500 people a day, responded to over 300,000 calls for service and maintained a friendly and safe environment on an urban campus with more than 25,000 community members;

WHEREAS, the Department provides a vital public safety function for our neighborhoods and helps to deter criminal activity in our area, while remaining proactive in its patrolling and reaching out to community members; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Police Department will continue to grow, serve, and protect the George Washington community, consisting of 25,000 people each day in the Foggy Bottom/West End area of he District of Columbia, to the utmost of its ability.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "George Washington University Police Department Recognition Resolution of 2006"

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia, congratulates the George Washington University Police Department on the occasion of its March 27, 2006 accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and applauds its commitment to service and its involvement in and with our community.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.